

Appl. No. 09/972,200  
In re Kunieda et al.  
Reply to Office Action of July 1, 2005

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The Examiner is thanked for the Official Action dated July 1, 2005 and the indication of allowable subject matter. This amendment is intended to be fully responsive thereto.


Claims 1-7 and 10-17 were objected to for a minor typographical error which has been corrected by the above amendment. No new matter has been entered.

Claim 8 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Riganati (U.S.P. 4,135,147). in view of Levinson et al. (U.S.P. 5,465,303).

Applicant respectfully disagrees; however, in an effort to expedite prosecution Applicant has cancelled rejected claim 8.

It is respectfully submitted that the pending allowed claims define the invention over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiners believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would expedite prosecution they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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